GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF PRISONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to bring all States in the ambit of modernization of prisons scheme;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the total funds allocated under the scheme alongwith the details of modernization work undertaken in various States during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the time by which the expansion project will be completed under the said scheme in each State?

Answer

(MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS) (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a) & (b) : The scheme for modernization of prisons over five years which was launched in 2002-03 with an outlay of Rs 1800 crore is being implemented in all the States except Arunachal Pradesh on a cost sharing basis between the Central and the State Government in the ratio of 75:25 respectively.

(c): A statement indicating the amounts approved in the respective annual action plans and the amounts released to the State Governments during the last 3 years is enclosed. Releases to the State Governments are linked to utilisation of funds released in the previous years. The funds are being provided for the construction of new jails, repair & renovation of existing jails, construction of staff quarters and for water and sanitation facilities.

(d) : The scheme has been recently extended upto 2008-09.